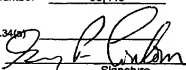


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)		Docket Number (Optional) 577122000200										
In re Application of Earl R. OWEN et al.												
Application Number 09/719,889	Filed (Int'l) June 18, 1999											
For METHOD OF TISSUE REPAIR II												
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<p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;"><input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))</td> <td style="width: 40%; text-align: right;">\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ <u>430.00</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ _____</td> </tr> </table> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ <u>215.00</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>03-1952</u></p> <p>I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. Fee Transmittal form (PTO/SB/17) is attached to this submission in duplicate.</p> <p>I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/06).</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number <u>38,440</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <u>October 27, 2004</u> Date <u>(858) 720-5133</u> Telephone Number </p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;">  _____ Signature <u>Gregory P. Einhorn</u> Typed or printed name </div> <p style="font-size: small;">NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.</p>			<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$ _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$ <u>430.00</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$ _____
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